REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested. Claims 1-11 remain pending, claims 1, 10, and 11 being independent. In this Reply, Applicants have amended claims 1-11. The term "means" has been removed in the claims to avoid claim interpretation issues under 35 U.S.C. § 112, sixth paragraph.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement on September 10, 2003, and respectfully request that the Examiner return an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 attached thereto.

Prior Art Rejection

Claims 1-11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as allegedly being anticipated by *Perkes* (U.S. Patent 6,373,503). This rejection, insofar as it may pertain to the presently pending claims, is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 is directed to a digital broadcast receiving device. The device of claim 1 comprises: a receiving unit, arranged in a computer, for receiving a high-definition television picture of a digital broadcast signal and decoding the high-definition television picture; and a selector, arranged in the computer, for selecting either the high-definition television picture decoded by the receiving unit or an output picture of the computer, such that the selected high-definition television picture or the selected output picture is output for display, wherein the

selector receives the output picture of the computer via a first path and receives the high-definition television picture via a second path, which by-passes a peripheral component interconnect (PCI) bus of the computer.

Therefore, as amended, claim 1 specifies that a selector of the computer, which selects either a high-definition television picture decoded by a receiving unit or an output picture of the computer, receives the high-definition television picture via a path that by-passes a peripheral component interconnect bus of the computer. This arrangement has the advantage of preventing overflow due to the increased data content of high-definition television pictures so that such pictures can be displayed in real time. See e.g., page 10, lines 6-15 of the specification.

The applied reference, *Perkes*, discloses a multimedia computer and television apparatus, which allows a monitor to function as a normal television or a computer display. See e.g., col. 2, lines 15-20. The monitor can receive either TV signals (NTSC/PAL) or data signals (VGA/SVGA). Col. 3, lines 17-19.

Applicants respectfully submit, however, that *Perkes* fails to disclose or suggest the digital broadcast receiving device arrangement specified in claim 1, in which a selector, which selects either a decoded high-definition television picture or an output picture of the computer for output to a display, receives an output picture of the computer via a first path and receives the

high-definition television picture via a second path that by-passes a peripheral component interconnect bus of the computer.

According to MPEP § 2131, "a claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference." Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051 (Fed. Cir. 1987). "The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is contained in the ... claims." Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co., 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ2d 1913 (Fed. Cir. 1989).

At least based on the reasoning set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that *Perkes* fails to anticipate claim 1, or any claim depending therefrom. Furthermore, independent claims 10 and 11 distinguish over *Perkes* based on similar reasoning.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

Conclusion

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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